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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 10/065,286  
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Enclosed please find a response to the May 17, 2004 Office Action in the above referenced application.

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Title: HAZARDOUS MATERIAL DETECTOR FOR DETECTING  
 HAZARDOUS MATERIAL IN A MAILSTREAM

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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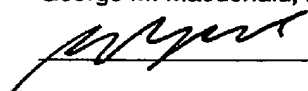
  
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Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the May 17, 2004 Office Action ("Office Action"). A response is due August 17, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

1. Amendments to the claims; and
2. Remarks.

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